

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The claims in this listing will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Previously Presented) A multifocal spectacle lens having a front surface and a back surface, each of said front surface and said back surface being configured as one of a multifocal surface and a progressive-power surface, distributions of surface power of said front surface and said back surface being different from each other,

wherein an average surface power of an upper area of said front surface is greater than an average surface power of a lower area of said front surface, and

wherein an average surface power of a lower area of said back surface is greater than an average surface power of an upper area of said back surface.

2. (Previously Presented) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 1, wherein said front surface is the multifocal surface, and said back surface is the progressive-power surface.

3. (Previously Presented) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 1, wherein both of said front surface and said back surface are progressive-power surfaces.

Claims 4 and 5 (Canceled)

6. (Previously Presented) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 1, wherein said lens has a distance portion for distance vision provided at a middle area of said lens,

wherein each of an upper side of the middle area and a lower side of the middle area comprises an intermediate portion for intermediate vision or a near portion for near

vision.

7. (Previously Presented) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 6, wherein mean refractive power within the middle area of said lens is substantially zero.

8. (Previously Presented) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 6, wherein a length of the distance portion is approximately 10 mm.

9. (Previously Presented) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 1, wherein a segment is provided on said front surface to configure said front surface as a bifocal surface.

10. (Original) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 9, wherein said segment is located on a nose side of an upper area of said front surface.

11. (Original) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 1, wherein said back surface has astigmatic power to correct astigmatism.

12. (Currently Amended) A method for producing a multifocal spectacle lens having a front surface and a back surface each of which is formed as one of a multifocal surface and a progressive-power surface, the method comprising:

producing semifinished lens blanks blanks, a front surface of each semifinished lens blank is formed so as to be classified by at least one of spherical power, cylindrical power and addition power into a plurality of groups;

selecting one of the semifinished lens blanks according to a customer's specification, the front surface of the selected one of the semifinished lens blanks corresponding to one of the groups to which the customer's specification belongs; and

processing the back surface of the selected one of the semifinished lens blanks according to the customer's specification.

13. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 12, wherein the processing of the back surface of the selected one of the semifinished lens blanks includes adjusting a positional relationship between a distribution of power of the front surface and a distribution of power of the back surface.

14. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 12, wherein the processing of the back surface of the selected one of the semifinished lens blanks includes processing the back surface of the selected one of the semifinished lens blanks so as to attain a desired combination of an addition power of an upper area of the lens and an addition power of a lower area of the lens.

15. (Previously Presented) The method according claim 12, wherein the processing of the back surface of the selected one of the semifinished lens blanks includes changing a length of a progressive-power portion of the lens.

16. (Previously Presented) A multifocal spectacle lens having a front surface and a back surface, each of said front surface and said back surface being configured as one of a multifocal surface and a progressive-power surface, distributions of surface power of said front surface and said back surface being different from each other,

wherein an average surface power of a lower area of said front surface is greater than an average surface power of an upper area of said front surface, and

wherein an average surface power of an upper area of said back surface is greater than an average surface power of a lower area of said back surface.

17. (Previously Presented) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 16, wherein said front surface is the multifocal surface, and said back surface is the progressive-power surface.

18. (Previously Presented) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 16, wherein both of said front surface and said back surface are progressive-power surfaces.

19. (Previously Presented) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 16, wherein said lens has a distance portion for distance vision provided at a middle area of said lens,

wherein each of an upper side of the middle area and a lower side of the middle area comprises an intermediate portion for intermediate vision or a near portion for near vision.

20. (Currently Amended) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim [[16]] 19, wherein a mean refractive power within the middle area of said lens is substantially zero.

21. (Previously Presented) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 19, wherein a length of the distance portion is approximately 10 mm.

22. (Previously Presented) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 16, wherein a segment is provided on said front surface to configure said front surface as a bifocal surface.

23. (Previously Presented) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 22, wherein said segment is located on a nose side of an upper area of said front surface.

24. (Previously Presented) The multifocal spectacle lens according to claim 16, wherein said back surface has astigmatic power to correct astigmatism.